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No Other Town in the World the Size of Grants Pass Has a Paper With Full Leased Wire Telegraph Service.

FIRST SUGAR SACKED AT FACTORY

Machines Have Commenced Discharging the Manufactured Product, and Rogue Valley Sugar Is Now a Fact

Sugar made in Grants Pass is now in the sack and ready for the market. This morning the first of the product of the Rogue beet came from the machines, and now sacks of sugar are being stored in the great warehouse ready for shipment to the markets of the northwest. The sugar is said to be perfect in quality, and from now on the factory is expected to continue without interruption in the manufacture till the beets of the season's crop are all in the sack and the pulp silo. The factory will not be running up to capacity for some days yet, however, as the men must become thoroughly accustomed to the handling of the various machines placed under their control. The great mill is running smoothly, and is no doubt a perfect product of the builders' art.

Beets are coming in rapidly now from the surrounding country, eight carloads arriving Thursday and another seven carloads today. From the fields in the immediate vicinity of Grants Pass the beets are hauled by wagon and truck, and loads are constantly passing through the streets headed for the bins at the factory.

DEMOCRATS ARE CALLED BY WILLCOX

New York, Oct. 27.—National Republican Chairman Willcox threw down the gauntlet to the democratic party today in a statement declaring that if the war department has the information that "Americans are engineering a Villa raid, I demand that they immediately proceed to prosecute them for treason."

Willcox ridiculed Baker and attacked him in violent terms for his statement on the border situation. "This is just another political drive of the democrats, which will fail, just as all the other drives have failed," he said. "In view of Secretary Lansing's statement in the morning papers, Mr. Baker was guilty of amazing stupidity or of a disingenuous attempt to gain votes for Mr. Wilson by misrepresentation. If Mr. Lansing is quoted correctly, he went over the Baker statement before it was issued and the Baker statement therefore appears to be a direct product of Mr. Wilson's two cabinet officers."

"The careful phrasing by Mr. Baker shows an attempt to make political capital out of what he appears to have regarded as an impending disaster on the Mexican borders. This political capital was to be gained by charging that enemies of Mr. Wilson's policy with regard to Mexico were behind it and that the attack was to take place between now and election."

Vance McCormick, chairman of the democratic party, merely shrugged his shoulders when told of the statement, declaring:

"I am running a political campaign, not the war department."

ROUMANIANS AND RUSSIANS DRIVEN BACK 20 MILES

London, Oct. 27.—Falling back under renewed sledge-hammer blows from General von Mackensen's army, the defeated Russo-Roumanian forces have retreated more than 20 miles north of the Cernavoda-Constanza railway. The German war office announced this afternoon that Mackensen's forces are approaching Harsova, 25 miles north, northwest of Cernavoda, in their pursuit of the enemy. An official statement from Sofia claimed that the Russo-Roumanian forces were everywhere in flight, evidently planning to evacuate practically all the Dobruja province.

The Russian war office admitted a further retirement toward the line of Harsova and Casapschlof, paralleling the Constanza-Cernavoda railway at a distance of about 25 miles.

On a large part of the Transylvania front the Roumanians continue heavy attacks against the Austro-Germans, though the German war office claims the repulse of these attacks and further progress in the invasion of Roumania from the west.

The battle on the northeastern front of Verdun continued with great violence last night, with Fort Vaux the objective of the French in heavy attacks.

The French war office announced today that the French made some progress both west and south of Vaux, taking 100 prisoners, but the German war office claimed the complete repulse of all French attacks.

Berlin also reported the repulse of heavy Russian attacks and agreed with the allied war offices that there are no fresh developments in Macedonia.

CHIHUAHUA CUT OFF FROM SOUTH

El Paso, Oct. 27.—Chihuahua City has been cut off from the south, both wire and railway communication being severed yesterday through a coup executed by Villa, and the heavy Carranza forces coming up from the south to reinforce the garrison supplies being delayed and ammunition supplies stopped except from the north.

Acting under orders from Villa himself, a detachment marched across from Santa Ysabel and cut the Mexican National railway near Ortiz, about 30 miles south of the Chihuahua border. The line was the only railway from the south entering Chihuahua City and the city now is virtually isolated except from northern Chihuahua. At the same time the main force of Villistas is moving southward. Up to the present time Villa has not attempted to cut the railway lines, although he had access to them, because, he declared, the civilian population of northern Mexico would suffer.

MEXICANS PLAN BORDER RAIDS

San Antonio, Oct. 27.—All of the commanders of the big army camps along the border have been warned by the southern department to be on the alert for the attack or attacks said to be planned by Mexicans. The commanders were ordered to disseminate the warnings to every organization on the border.

At General Funston's headquarters it was said no re-distribution of the troops would be necessary, as the cavalry, artillery and infantry organizations are so stationed now as to successfully cope with any situation that might arise.

HUGHES VOTE A VOTE FOR PEACE

The Republican Nominee Says in Address Today That His Election Will Be a Move Toward a Lasting Peace

Utica, N. Y., Oct. 27.—"A vote for me is a vote for lasting peace," Republican Nominee Hughes declared to an audience of 2,000 in Lumbering theater this afternoon. He again attacked Secretary of War Baker.

"It is said that criticism of the administration in this matter indicates a desire for war," he said. "It is said that the alternative of the policy of the administration is the policy of war; it is said that a vote for me is a vote for war. What a preposterous suggestion!"

"A vote for me is a vote for lasting peace, because it is a vote for maintaining the honor of the country, for maintaining both self-respect and esteem of all nations of the earth."

"It is fallacy to suppose we can be kept out of war unless we have the respect of all other nations. Unless we impress them with the firmness of our national character, we shall not be in a position to secure the favorable peace we desire."

Hughes was in unusually high spirits after last night's meeting in Boston, where his creed as a candidate was so rousing received. His speech last night was a direct answer to the democratic cry, "What would you do as president?"

Hughes' promises, summed up, were:

"Protection of the ablest cabinet the country can afford."

"Firm and courteous insistence on the rights of our citizens," as the basis of his foreign policy.

"Enactment of a proper protective tariff."

"Fair governmental action to all," and particularly with regard to capital and labor.

Strict scrutiny of business organizations—but "all business to be treated fairly and justly."

A flag that protects the American citizen in his lawful rights.

"A domestic policy which looks to industrial peace and co-operation, not to industrial war."

TEDDY AND HUGHES COMMITTEE ARE IN FULL ACCORD IN CAMPAIGN

Chicago, Oct. 27.—Answering published reports that he was to be gagged into pussy-footing on the German issue, and that as a result a coldness had arisen between himself and the powers behind the Hughes campaign, Colonel Roosevelt today announced that he will probably make five more speeches in the interests of the republican presidential candidate.

Besides Baltimore, the colonel will speak at Cooper Union, in New York city, probably next Friday evening, and at Toledo and Cleveland earlier in the week. The Baltimore speech is set for next Saturday evening. He speaks in Brooklyn tomorrow night.

Roosevelt denied the reports of friction in the following statement to the United Press:

"It's all nonsense. I am in absolute agreement with the managers of the campaign, with Mr. Hirt, Mr. Willcox and Mr. Perkins. The question here was whether all that I've said should be in the evening or after-

NAVAL SCRAP IN ENGLISH CHANNEL

British and German Destroyers Clashed Last Night When Teutons Attempted Raid Under Cover of Night

London, Oct. 27.—British and German destroyers clashed in a sharp naval engagement in the English channel last night, the admiralty announced this afternoon. The German warships attempted a raid under cover of darkness. Two enemy destroyers were sunk. It is feared that one of the British destroyers was lost, the admiralty added, and another disabled.

"Last night 10 enemy destroyers participated in an attempt to raid the cross-channel transport service," said the admiralty statement. "The empty transport Queen was sunk. The crew was saved. Two enemy destroyers were sunk and the rest driven off."

"The British destroyer Flirt is missing, and it is feared is lost. The British destroyer Nubian was disabled and forced aground."

The naval fight last night is the first engagement of the war in the English channel, excepting submarine activities, and the first serious clash between British and German warships since the great battle off Jutland on May 31, 1916.

German destroyers and fast cruisers have made several daring raids in British waters, approaching near enough to bombard east coast towns, and darting back to port at the approach of British warships. German destroyers also have raided British shipping off the Flanders coast, taking ships into Zeebrugge.

The destroyer Flirt was one of the older British destroyers. She was built in 1897, had a displacement of 380 tons and a complement of 62 men. The Nubian was built in 1909, displaced 986 tons and carried normally 71 officers and men.

There are several British steamers named Queen. It is probable that either the 4,956-ton London Queen, or the much smaller Southampton steamer of the same name is meant.

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noon. The gentlemen named asked me only to state my innermost and best convictions as strongly as I desired. I am in entire harmony with them. The only question I had to decide yesterday was whether I could meet the desires of the chairman and national committeeman of Ohio and speak in Cleveland and Toledo. After getting in touch with Mr. Willcox, I am happy to say I have been able to do so.

"I have also accepted the kind offer of Mr. Wanamaker to speak at Cooper Union next Friday. I shall speak at Baltimore Saturday of next week."

The colonel's party left here this morning at 8:25, over the New York Central, and will reach New York at 8 o'clock tomorrow. By the time it arrives there the trip will have included speaking through fourteen states and 6,500 miles of travel.

Although the colonel has insisted

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CARRANZA TO BE CANDIDATE FOR THE PRESIDENCY

Mexico City, Oct. 27.—General Carranza is expected to formally announce his candidacy for the presidency, following a great demonstration in his behalf that lasted until an early hour today.

Crowds of the first chief's admirers paraded the streets of the capital with banners and lanterns, shouting:

"Long live Carranza!"

Late in the evening several processions united in a great parade to the palace, where spokesmen pledged Carranza their support and loyalty and asked him to accept the candidacy.

"I am not worthy of such high honors," said the first chief, in a brief speech, "but I will give due consideration to your wishes. In the event that I decide to become a candidate, and if the popular vote carries me into this high office, I will stand for the people's rights with the same zeal and enthusiasm that has always marked my actions as first chief."

General Obregon, minister of war, took occasion at a meeting of the constitutional liberal party to declare "absurd and untrue" reports of bad feeling between him and General Gonzales.

"We are both human," said Obregon. "We both have aspirations, but we are able to hold our personal passions in subjection to our sense of duty to the triumph of the constitutional cause."

General Gonzales responded by embracing Obregon, while the audience cheered.

NO NEED FOR U.S. TO WORRY OVER JAPS

St. Louis, Oct. 27.—There is not now, and need not ever be any trouble between Japan and the United States worth going to war over, Judge Elbert E. Gary, chairman of the board of directors of the U. S. Steel corporation, who has just returned from a tour of the orient, declared today at the semi-annual meeting of the American Iron & Steel institute.

"Whenever either government has decided to provide an additional warship, some one in the other country has been prompt in charging that this meant preparation for war between the two countries," he said.

"I told the Japanese the American people did not want, and would stubbornly oppose war with Japan, except in self-defense. The controlling men of Japan, judging from the statements made to me, are anxious for continued peace with the United States. The Japanese speak of the United States as a model government, whose friendly interest they court. They realize the geographical location of the two countries should make them practically allies, though acting independently."

Concerning Japan's intentions toward China, Gary said:

"I am confident the Japanese would like China for a permanent, friendly, profitable and satisfied customer, and with no political or selfish objects."

"No one can certainly foretell whether there will be a continuance of large business for a year or for several years. Obviously, the wise man will husband his resources, keep within safe limits and avoid over-extension."

"At the end of the war, foreign countries now buying our products, because compelled, will, in large measure, withdraw their patronage. Most of the foreign countries will be protected by tariff provisions, and we should be on a parity with them in this respect."

E. G. Breeze returned this morning from Santa Ana, Cal., where he attended the funeral of his father.

RECORD PRICE FOR APPLES IN LONDON

Car of Grants Pass Newtowns Sells for \$3.50 Per Box in the English Market, Netting Grower More Than \$2

A cable received today by Douglas Wood brings the news from London, England, that Grants Pass Newtown apples sold at \$3.50 per box, a record price for apples from this district in the English market. A carload of choice apples from the orchards operated by Mr. Wood, south of town, brought this remarkable figure, a price that will net better than \$2 per box in Grants Pass.

Mr. Wood, representing Dennis & Sons, of London, and Dennis, Kimball & Pope, of New York, has started 10 cars of Newtowns from the Wood and Lathrop orchards on the way to London, these shipments being the first of the variety to reach the English market this season. For those that had already arrived and been reported upon a price of from \$2.75 to \$3.50 has been realized, but the present sale of \$3.50 for an entire carload sets a new mark for the product of the district. These apples left Grants Pass on September 10, and went via Montreal. They were about two weeks in crossing the continent, and from 15 to 18 days in crossing the Atlantic, sea shipment being somewhat slower than usual because of the dangers that beset the path of the steamers.

LINER CHICAGO ON FIRE AT SEA

New York, Oct. 27.—The Maritime exchange this afternoon received a message reporting that the French liner Chicago was afire at sea and was speeding toward Fayal, one of the islands of the Azores group.

"Steamship Chicago, French, bound from Bordeaux to New York, fire in No. 3 hold," read the message. "Expects arrive at Fayal today."

The Chicago left Bordeaux Sunday for New York and should have been several hundred miles west and north of the Azores today. Under ordinary conditions she carried 250 to 300 passengers on her western trip.

Officers of the French line reiterated late today that they had no confirmation of the report that the liner was afire.

The Chicago was due here next Monday or Tuesday. She is a 14,000-ton steamer, commanded by Captain Mace.

FOG DELAYS STEAMERS AT COLUMBIA MOUTH

Portland, Oct. 27.—Steamship schedules between Portland, San Francisco and Los Angeles are seriously interfered with today, as the result of a dense fog shrouding the mouth of the Columbia river for more than 18 hours. The steamers Great Northern and Robe City were delayed.

RUSSO-ROUMANIAN LINES INTACT BUT IN RETREAT

Petrograd, Oct. 27.—Offering stubborn resistance to General von Mackensen's advance, the Russo-Roumanians in Dobruja are retreating northward today toward the Harsova-Casapschlof line (30 miles north of the Constanza-Cernavoda railway). It was officially announced today. The Russo-Roumanian lines everywhere are intact.